

Beijing 2008 Olympic Games Beijing, China

Applied Electronics' Special Projects Team, based in the Toronto head office, has recently completed an 18-month supply and system build project for the major broadcast networks in Nordic countries Sweden, Finland, Norway, and Denmark. The crew designed and built broadcast studios for SVT Sweden, YLE Finland, NRK Norway, and DNK Denmark networks inside the International Broadcast Center (IBC) in Beijing's Olympic Green Convention Center for the 2008 Olympic Games.

An International Broadcast Center is created at every Olympics to house studios for broadcasters from around the world. The Host broadcaster provides each of these international broadcasters a video and audio feed from each venue, beauty shots from around the Olympic venues and transmission facilities so that coverage of each event could be broadcast to audiences back home.

These special Olympics projects generally require about 18 months from initial planning with the customer through to the build stage in our Toronto warehouse, shipping and re-installation on site, then tear-down, shipping and disassemble back home.

Kim Edmonds, Manager of Applied Electronics' Broadcast Systems Division and the Special Projects Team, reports that China did a first rate job of preparing and supplying the international broadcast facilities for the world broadcasters. Kim's Special Projects team was comprised of Jamie Easson, project engineer, Brian Burch and Jason Shao, systems design & integration technicians, and wiremen Chez Pawlowski and Dimitar Peev.



Photos: YLE Finland Studio inside the International Broadcast Center for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games.

